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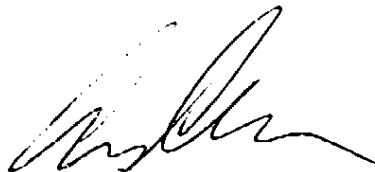
SUBJECT: Clean Air Act Notice of Proposed Rulemaking re: Protection of Stratospheric Ozone -- for Review and Comment

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The purpose of this memorandum is to notify the Department of Energy (DOE) Program Offices and Field Organizations of, and solicit comment on, an Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) for the Protection of Stratospheric Ozone: Sale of Halon Blends, Intentional Release of Halon, Technician Training and Disposal of Halon and Halon-Containing Equipment (62 FR 36427, July 07, 1997) (attached).

Pursuant to Section 608 (a)(2) of the Clean Air Act, EPA is proposing the following regulations: (1) to ban the sale of halon blends; (2) to prohibit the intentional release of halons during the training of technicians and during the testing, repair, and disposal of halon-containing equipment; (3) to require appropriate training of technicians regarding emissions reduction; and, (4) to require the proper disposal of halon and of halon-containing equipment at the end of its useful life.

Please provide your comments to Juliet Berling of my staff on or before Friday, August 1, 1997. Ms. Berling can be reached at (202) 586-8144. Comments may be faxed to (202) 586-0955 or sent via electronic mail to juliet.berling@eh.doe.gov. Comments received by this date will be considered in the preparation of the DOE response to EPA. Comments received after this date will be forwarded to EPA after the close of the comment period, for possible consideration. Please reference specific sections of the NPRM that you are commenting on, in order to facilitate the comment consolidation process.



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